

## **WICK COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

Minutes of the meeting on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020 at 7.30pm  
A meeting of Wick Community Council was held via Zoom

	<b>MEETING OPENED:</b> The Chair opened the meeting at 7.30pm.
	<b>MEMBERS PRESENT:</b>
	Cllr D Ambrose, Cllr C Hawkins, Cllr S Dearlove, Cllr P Murphy, Cllr K Jauncey, Cllr J Purcell and Cllr S Edwards, Vale Ward Councillor. Apologies received from Cllr R. Lewis.
<b>20.081</b>	<b>PUBLIC SESSION</b>
20.081.01	There were no members of the public present
<b>20.082</b>	<b>POLICE REPORT</b>
20.082 .1	Pc Williamson reported that last month there have been four recorded crimes in Wick including theft of wellingtons, two public order incidents and a criminal damage. There was a public order incident concerning a post on social media. The Police were still receiving reports concerning the horses and were working with the Local Authority. Cllr Murphy raised the issue of hay bales being delivered to the horses. A suspicious parcel containing animal parts had been found. Pc Williamson has been seconded onto a team enforcing the Covid Laws, he didn't know how long that would be for.
<b>20.083</b>	<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST:</b>
20.083.1	None
<b>20.084</b>	<b>MINUTES OF MEETINGS HELD IN OCTOBER 2020</b>
20.084.1	The Minutes of the October meeting were agreed Proposed Cllr K Jauncey, Seconded Cllr J Purcell
<b>20.085</b>	<b>MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING</b>
20.085.1	20.079.3 The Welsh Government had sent out guidance to Town and Community Councils regarding Remembrance Sunday and the management of the event. The service had gone very well.
20.085.2	20.079.4 Public Health Wales were now publishing heatmaps of areas where infections were highest
20.085.3	20.073.3 The Clerk had met with the contractors and Christine Smith concerning the MUGA. A start date was yet to be confirmed but progress was being made. There had also been a meeting with electricians to confirm that the old floodlight cables were safe.
<b>20.086</b>	<b>FINANCE</b>
20.086.1	The Community Council bank balance as of 11th November, 2020 Current Account = £17,063.51 Deposit Account = £2055.74
20.086.2	Online Banking is set up. The system permits the Clerk to make payments, and RFO to authorise.

20.086.3	The External Auditor has advised Wick Community Council, that they cannot sign off the 2019/20 Annual Return/Financial Statements, until the 2017/18 and 2018/19 Returns are submitted.
20.086.4	Cllr Murphy has contacted the External Auditor and agreed to carry out the audits for those years. Mrs Linda Williams has agreed to do the Internal Audit. Proposed Cllr Murphy, Seconded Cllr Ambrose.
20.086.5	Cllr Hawkins, Cllr Ambrose and Cllr Murphy will meet to discuss the non-submission of the Annual Return for previous years, and report to Council at the next meeting in December.
<b>20.087</b>	<b>PLANNING MATTERS</b>
20.087.1	<b>Decisions.</b> 2020/00896/FUL Location: Monks Wood, Wick Proposal: Construct a round timber framed shelter, and a small lockable container on the site for the safe storage of tools - Approved 2020/01138/FUL Location: 8, Cwrt Y Felin, Wick Proposal: Roof Dormer extension(s) to first floor, internal alterations and single storey extension to kitchen - Approved
20.087.2	<b>Applications.</b> None
<b>20.088</b>	<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>
20.088.1	Refill Wales, would we sign up to be a Refill Champion. The scheme was explained and it was agreed we would sign up to it. Proposed, Cllr J Purcell, Seconded Cllr P Murphy
20.088.2	Wick Young Farmers re The Beacon. Wick YFC were offering to help clear the site which had become overgrown, Cllr Murphy reported that Wick Wanderers had a similar idea. It was agreed that Cllr Edwards would ask the Vale ecologist to visit there and an overgrown pond at Trepit Road.
20.088.3	Play Grant. The Clerk had circulated information on a grant available for play capital funding. It was agreed that the Clerk would submit an application as discussed.
<b>20.089</b>	<b>REPORTS FROM OUTSIDE COMMITTEES etc</b>
20.089.1	Cllr Purcell reported that the Hall committee had not met. It had been decorated but was not currently being used.
<b>20.090</b>	<b>SPORTS PAVILION</b>
20.090.1	The Clerk reported that the regulations for hire had changed. The Pavilion could be hired by organisations, there were limits on numbers and activities. The risk assessment had been circulated. Cllr Jauncey suggested that ventilation should be included in the risk assessment. The Clerk would include an entry.
<b>20.091</b>	<b>OTHER BUSINESS</b>
20.091.1	Cllr Ambrose raised the question of Christmas lights in the Village. The Clerk reported that the tree had been ordered. It was agreed that additional lights should be purchased.
20.001.2	Cllr Ambrose discussed additional lighting on the main road. It was agreed to offer the three businesses on the main road a grant of £100 towards the purchase of additional lights. It was also agreed to purchase a set of lights if

	<p>need be for the Rowan Tree and to purchase lights for Broughton if a suitable location could be found. Proposed, Cllr C Hawkins, Seconded Cllr K Jauncey</p>
20.091.3	A proposal had been made for a Christmas Band bus tour around the Village. After discussion it was decided not to go ahead with it this year.
20.091.4	It was agreed to publish a Christmas Newsletter. Clerk to circulate draft.
20.091.5	Dog Fouling. There had been a number of posts on social media concerning this and there had been a suggestion that we should provide poo bags. It was agreed to put an entry in the newsletter. It was not felt that purchasing poo bags would be effective. Councillor Edwards could obtain signs if need be.
20.091.6	Cllr Jauncey raised the Police and Crime Commissioners zoom meeting and asked if anyone could take part. The Clerk agreed to take part and report back
20.091.7	Cllr Purcell raised an issue of pavement defects at Cwrt Y Felin and Windmill Close. The lighting from St James Gardens to Heol Faen was poor. Cllr Edwards would take it up with the Vale. Cllr Murphy would ask David Wilson Homes about the lighting.
20.091.8	Cllr Edwards was exploring the possibility of a bus shelter outside the shop.
<b>20.092</b>	<b>DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING</b>
20.092.1	It was agreed that the next meeting would take place at 7.30pm on Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2020. Meeting on zoom unless guidelines have changed.
Clerk signature Date	Chairperson signature Date